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**"AN ACT CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX DELINQUENCIES OF
TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 7-536 of the
4 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
5 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

6 (4) "Local capital improvement project" means a municipal capital
7 expenditure project for any of the following purposes: (A) Road
8 construction, renovation, repair or resurfacing, (B) sidewalk and
9 pavement improvements, (C) construction, renovation, enlargement or
10 repair of sewage treatment plants and sanitary or storm, water or
11 sewer lines, including separation of lines, (D) public building
12 construction other than schools, including renovation, repair, code
13 compliance, energy conservation and fire safety projects, (E)
14 construction, renovation, enlargement or repair of dams, bridges and
15 flood control projects, (F) construction, renovation, enlargement or

16 repair of water treatment or filtration plants and water mains, (G)
17 construction, renovation or enlargement of solid waste facilities, (H)
18 improvements to public parks, (I) the preparation and revision of local
19 capital improvement plans projected for a period of not less than five
20 years and so prepared as to show the general description, need and
21 estimated cost of each individual capital improvement, (J)
22 improvements to emergency communications systems, (K) public
23 housing projects, including renovations and improvements and energy
24 conservation and the development of additional housing, (L)
25 renovations to or construction of veterans' memorial monuments, (M)
26 thermal imaging systems, (N) bulky waste and landfill projects, (O) the
27 preparation and revision of municipal plans of conservation and
28 development adopted pursuant to section 8-23, provided such plans
29 are endorsed by the legislative body of the municipality not more than
30 one hundred eighty days after adoption by the commission, (P)
31 acquisition of automatic external defibrillators, [and] (Q) floodplain
32 management and hazard mitigation activities. "Local capital
33 improvement project" means only capital expenditures and includes
34 repairs incident to reconstruction and renovation but does not include
35 ordinary repairs and maintenance of an ongoing nature and
36 "floodplain management" and "hazard mitigation" shall have the same
37 meaning as in section 25-68j, and (R) activities related to the planning
38 of a municipal broadband network, provided the speed of the network
39 will be not less than three hundred eighty-four thousand bits per
40 second.

41 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) There shall be a Broadband
42 Internet Coordinating Council, which shall include representatives
43 from both the private and public sectors. The council shall consist of
44 ten members, two of whom shall be appointed by the Governor, two of
45 whom shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate,
46 two of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the House of
47 Representatives, one of whom shall be appointed by the majority
48 leader of the Senate, one of whom shall be appointed by the majority
49 leader of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be

50 appointed by the minority leader of the Senate and one of whom shall
51 be appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives.
52 One of each of the two members appointed by the Governor, the
53 president pro tempore of the Senate and the speaker of the House of
54 Representatives shall have specific expertise in the area of
55 telecommunications. Members of the council shall serve without
56 compensation, except for necessary expenses incurred in the
57 performance of their duties. Members shall serve on the council for
58 terms of two years each and no member shall serve for more than two
59 consecutive terms. The chairperson of the Public Utilities Control
60 Authority, or the chairperson's designee, and the Secretary of the
61 Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee, shall be
62 ex-officio members of the council without vote and shall attend its
63 meetings. Any member who fails to attend three consecutive meetings
64 or fifty per cent of all meetings during any calendar year shall be
65 deemed to have resigned. The president pro tempore of the Senate and
66 the speaker of the House of Representatives shall jointly choose a
67 chairperson and a vice-chairperson to act in the chairperson's absence.

68 (b) The council shall meet at least quarterly, commencing on or
69 before September 1, 2008. A majority of the members in office shall
70 constitute a quorum.

71 (c) The duties of the council shall be to: (1) Monitor trends and
72 developments in the state's efforts to develop a state-wide world-class
73 communications infrastructure; and (2) issue any reports it deems
74 necessary to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
75 having cognizance of matters relating to technology."